

# CSWC Operational Period Summary

## 1800 March 1 2015 to 0600 March 2 2015



Layers of low clouds passing in front of Mt. Tom over the town of Aspendell on 02/08/15.  
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# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

## **Significant Events – National**

### **Netanyahu Arrives in US for Contested Congress Iran Speech**

(BBC News) Israeli PM Benjamin Netanyahu has arrived in the US to argue against a possible nuclear deal with Iran. Mr. Netanyahu says the deal would be inadequate to prevent Tehran from acquiring a nuclear bomb. He is due to give a speech in Congress on Tuesday which was not agreed in advance with the Obama administration, angering the White House. The speech comes two weeks before Israeli elections, with his Likud party under pressure in domestic polls. The US and other powers - the so-called P5+1 - are negotiating with Iran on its nuclear program. They want a framework agreement by the end of the month which addresses concerns that Iran is seeking nuclear weapons technology, something Tehran denies. Before getting on the plane for Washington, Mr. Netanyahu described his trip as a "fateful and even historic mission". Mr. Netanyahu was invited to speak in Congress by Republican leaders.

### **US Moving to Deport Bosnians over War Crimes: Report**

(Al Jazeera) U.S. officials have identified about 300 Bosnian immigrants who they believe concealed their involvement in wartime atrocities, including the 1995 Srebrenica massacre, and are trying to deport at least 150 of them, The New York Times reported on Saturday. The immigrants were among refugees fleeing the violence in Bosnia after a war that erupted in 1992 with the collapse of Yugoslavia. The number of suspects could eventually be more than 600 as more records from Bosnia become available, the newspaper reported. Many of the Bosnian suspects were former soldiers, and they include a Virginia soccer coach, an Ohio metal worker and four Las Vegas hotel casino workers, the newspaper said. Some are now U.S. citizens, it said. The Times said evidence indicates that half the 300 Bosnian suspects may have played a part in the massacre at Srebrenica, where 8,000 Muslim men and boys were killed by Bosnian Serb forces in five summer days in 1995, towards the end of a war that claimed 100,000 lives.

# **SITUATION SUMMARY**

## **Significant Events – International**

### **Iraq Launches Tikrit Operation Against Islamic State**

(BBC News) Iraq has launched a military operation to recapture Saddam Hussein's hometown of Tikrit from Islamic State (IS), Iraqi TV says. Local media reported that forces were attacking the city, backed by airstrikes from Iraqi fighter jets. Tikrit lies 150km (95 miles) north of the capital Baghdad and was seized by IS militants in June 2014. Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi met military leaders in Salahuddin province ahead of the advance. He offered to pardon all Sunni tribal fighters who abandoned IS, describing it as a "last chance". A military official told Reuters news agency that Iraqi forces had advanced 45km north (25 miles) from the central city of Samarra towards the embattled town of al-Dour. Mr. Abadi declared the start of the operation late on Sunday, as tens of thousands of troops and militia gathered in Samarra in preparation for the offensive.

### **North Korea, Angered by Drills, Fires Short-Range Missiles Off Coast**

(Reuters) North Korea fired two short-range missiles off its east coast on Monday, South Korean officials said, a defiant response to annual military exercises between South Korea and the United States but one which drew a swift protest from Japan. The firing came hours before the U.S.-South Korean military exercises were scheduled to begin, drills which the secretive North denounces as a preparation for war. The missiles hit the sea early on Monday morning after traveling for about 490 km (305 miles), according to South Korea's defense ministry. Ministry spokesman Kim Min-seok said North Korea fired the missiles without designating any no-sail zones, which was regarded as a provocation. Pyongyang has escalated its rhetoric against the drills, with a spokesman for its army general staff saying Washington and Seoul "should be dealt with only by merciless strikes."

### **Death Toll at 196 from Afghanistan Avalanches**

(CNN) For almost a week, avalanches caused by heavy snowstorms have killed 196 people in the mountainous province of Panjshir, Afghanistan, officials said on Monday. Ten new avalanches were reported early Monday morning, without any casualties. Over the weekend, a total of 40 avalanches hit the area, said Bab Jan Hakimi, head of disaster response at the Afghan Red Crescent Society. Rescue operations and emergency assistance by air and ground are still ongoing, Hakimi said. However, authorities fear the toll will grow much higher since rescue personnel have yet to reach the worst affected areas. President Ashraf Ghani, who visited the area on Saturday, declared three days of mourning in Afghanistan for the victims. Panjshir is a small, mountainous province north of the capital, Kabul. Its residents are generally poor, earning their living as farmers, shepherds or operators of small businesses such as groceries.

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## **Weather of Concern**

- A cold low pressure system centered south of Point Conception will move eastward over Southern California through this afternoon. This will bring snow showers in the mountains above 4500 feet with periods of heavy snowfall possible above 5000 feet which will affect travel through the mountains of Riverside, San Bernardino, and San Diego Counties.
- A Flood Watch is in effect until 1600 hours this afternoon for portions of Imperial and Riverside Counties.
- A Flash Flood Warning is in effect until 0730 hours this morning for the Silverado Burn Area in East Central Orange County.

**Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:** [http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/www\\_bc\\_cal.php](http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/www_bc_cal.php)

## **Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought**

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

# WEATHER

## WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

### **NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:**

#### **Eureka Weather:**

A weak system will bring a few showers to Northwest California today. Upper level ridging will begin to develop over the West Coast on Tuesday and then persist into this coming weekend. The developing ridge will result in dry conditions and a gradual warming trend through the week.

#### **Medford Weather:**

The shortwave will move south late this morning with dry conditions expected in most locations for the rest of the day. A few showers are possible for the Cascades and Siskiyou in the afternoon. A dry and mild weather pattern is forecast for the rest of the week through next weekend.

#### **Reno Weather:**

A trough over the region will increase cloud cover today and will provide chances for snow showers especially along the Sierra. A drier northerly flow will develop Tuesday and Wednesday followed by a warming trend for the end of the week.

#### **San Francisco Weather:**

A quick moving weather system from the Pacific Northwest will drop down the coast bringing scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms back to the area today and this evening, mostly south of San Francisco Bay. High pressure builds Tuesday through next weekend with a return to dry conditions, mostly clear skies, and above normal daytime temperatures.

# WEATHER

## WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

### **CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY**

#### **Sacramento Weather:**

Another wave drops down from the north today bringing scattered showers, mainly for the Northern Sierra Nevada, and a slight chance of thunderstorms. The mountains may see some light snowfall accumulation. Drier and milder weather returns Tuesday and continues for the remainder of the week.

#### **Hanford Weather:**

The next storm system will track south along the Central California Coast today and bring cool, wet weather to much of the region through Tuesday. Dry and warmer weather returns Wednesday with patchy valley fog possible.

### **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:**

#### **Los Angeles Weather:**

A cold upper low will slowly move through Southern California today bringing periods of showers and mountain snow down to lower mountain elevations. Another quick moving storm system will follow on its heels allowing for lingering showers into early Tuesday. Dry weather is expected late Tuesday through Friday. There will be a warming trend with daytime temperatures near or above normal by Thursday.

#### **Extreme Southwestern California Including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:**

A low pressure system will bring periods of showers and isolated thunderstorms into this evening with a chance of showers for coastal areas tonight into Tuesday morning and for the mountains Tuesday afternoon. There will be dry conditions with a warming trend for Wednesday into next weekend under high pressure.

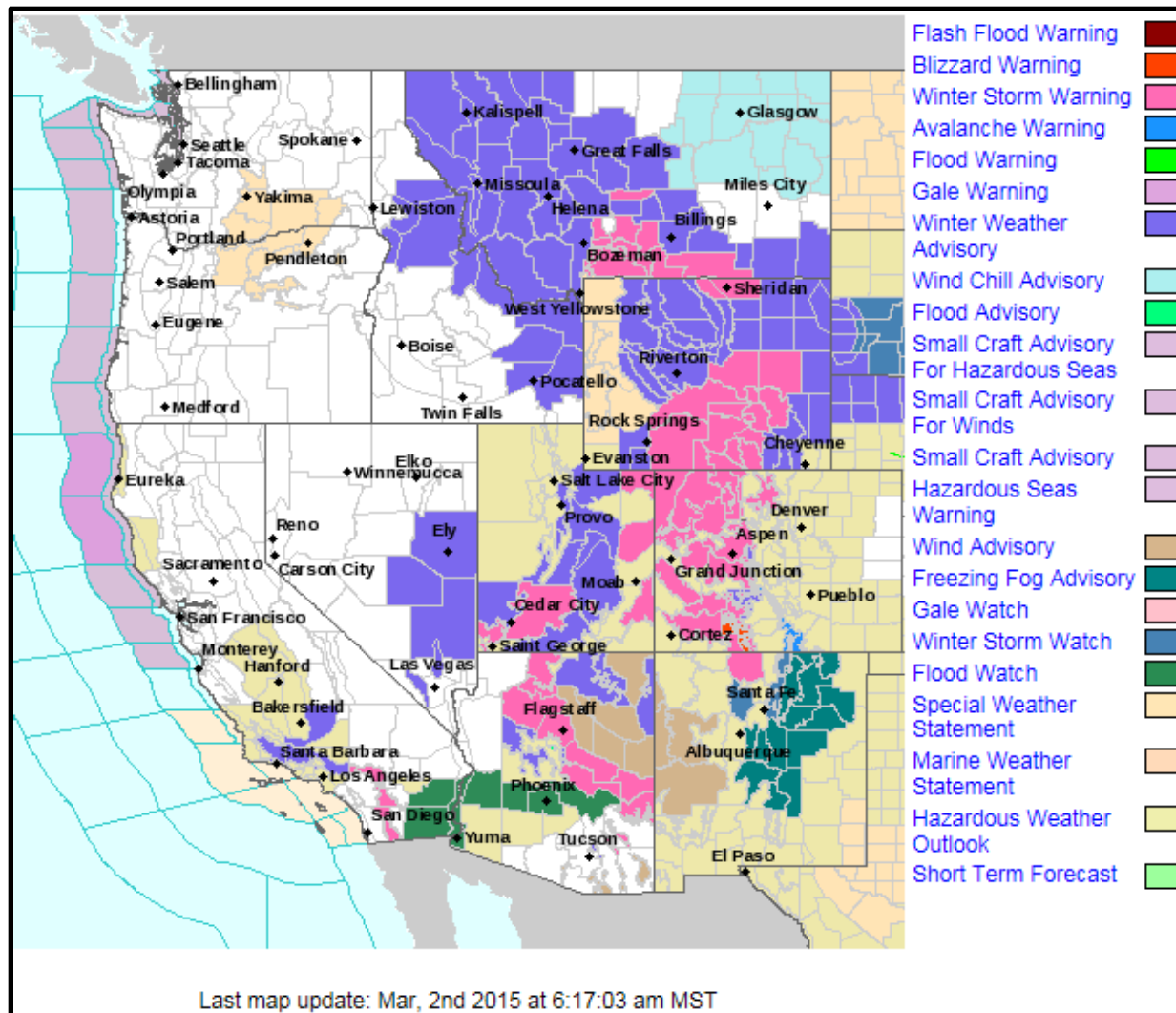
#### **Southeast California Weather:**

Widespread precipitation will expand from Southeast California into Arizona today and will slowly shift eastward during the course of the day. Periods of moderate to heavy rain are expected. There will also be a slight chance of thunderstorms as well, mainly during the afternoon and early evening hours. Cooler temperatures will also accompany this system with below normal readings expected from today through midweek. A return to above normal temperatures is likely by late week.





# STATE WEATHER MAP



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# **FIRE ACTIVITY**



## **Preparedness Levels**

### **National Preparedness Level 1**

#### **Northern California**

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 1

#### **Southern California**

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

## **California Fire Potential & Weather Maps**

### **Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential**

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

### **Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential**

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

### **California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings**

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

### **NWS California River Forecast Center:**

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>



# **RECOVERY ACTIVITIES**

## **Round Fire, Inyo and Mono Counties**

- Recovery Individual Assistance continues to work with Mono County on the Initial Damage Estimate.
- The American Red Cross and Salvation Army continue to offer their support services.

# CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

## Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC, Inland, Coastal, and Southern REOCs and the Santa Barbara County EOC are activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued an Executive Order on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought. Specifically, through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate a biweekly state interagency conference call regarding drought community impacts.
- Regional (Inland, Coastal, Southern) conference calls will occur once a month beginning 02/09/15.



**Mission:**

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

*We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.*